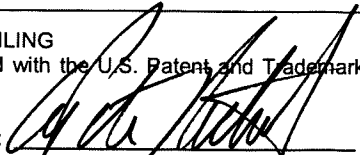


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**Case No. 13014/3 (FP 23131)**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	)
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Timothy Walker	)
	) Group Art Unit: 3671
Serial No.: 10/565,995	)
	) Examiner: Beach
	)
Filing Date: June 26, 2006	) Confirmation No. 9548
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For: SUBSEA TUBING HANGER ASSEMBLY	)
FOR AN OIL OR GAS WELL	)

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

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Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated August 23, 2007 for a period of one month to and including December 23, 2007.

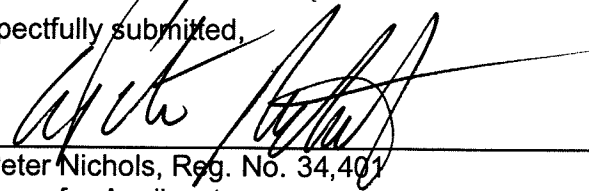
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